



# The Stag

The Elogamgussit of Sipp-O Lodge #377

February, 1996

## ATTENTION SCOUTMASTERS

Unit elections and camp promotions began January 1 with elections ending May 15th. All Troop O/A elections must be performed by an official Lodge Election Team. If you would like to help with elections or camp promotions, please contact Ben Senff at (216) 262-8622. To schedule an election or camp promotion presentation, please contact your District Coordinator listed below.

Killbuck - Jason Yoh - (216) 264-8986

Netawotwes - Ryan Howell - (216) 364-6960

Sandy Beaver - Jeff Hall - (216) 482-4437

Seneca - Troy Alpeter - (216) 499-3026

Wapakonachee - Matt Flanagan - (216) 862-2718

Westark - Ryan Pittinger - (216) 832-8712

The requirements for youth membership in the Order of the Arrow are as follows:

- Be under 21 years of age.
- Be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America.
- Hold the First Class Rank of the Boy Scouts of America, as a minimum.
- After registration with a troop, team or post, have experienced 15 days and nights of camping, including six consecutive days and nights of resident camping, approved and under the auspices and standards of the Boy Scouts of America, within 2 years immediately prior to election to candidate status.
- Approval of his unit leader in regards to Scouting spirit, his adherence to the Scout Oath and Law, and participation in unit activities.

For adults to become members of the Order of the Arrow, an adult nomination form must be submitted by the Troop and approved by the Executive Committee of the lodge.

These policies are reprinted on pages 34-35 of the Guide for Officers and Advisers, which is available in the Scout Shop.

## UPCOMING SPRING FELLOWSHIP HAS HIGH-ADVENTURE TWIST

Activities Vice-Chief Ted Dryden and his team are hard at work to make the Spring Fellowship at Camp McKinley, March 22, 23, 24 a great weekend for all lodge members. The weekend will feature: **NO WORK!** No service projects! This is a weekend for fun! Saturday we will be rappelling down the face of Indian Rock (No experience necessary! We'll teach you everything you need to know) and then have a rock rescue simulation/training. In the afternoon, we will have a meeting for anyone interested in the formation of chapters within our lodge. If you have an opinion or want to become more involved in lodge operations, this is a meeting you won't want to miss! Saturday will be capped off by a bonfire led by your favorite summer camp staffers.

This Fellowship will be a great opportunity to learn more about Sipp-O Lodge, to get rappelling experience ("hang out with your friends", get it?), meet new OA brothers, and eat like a pig. Kevin ("Toots") Powell's crew promises great chow. Bring a tent and camping gear for sleeping, and sturdy pants for climbing. Cost is \$10.00 for a great weekend. Check-in is at 8:00 p.m. in the parking lot. We will provide a cracker-barrel Friday night, all Saturday meals, and Sunday breakfast. Depart for home at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday. Send payment with reservation form on page 7 by March 11th.

Any senior scout or adult who has rappelling equipment is cordially invited to bring it along and participate with Mike Mossor and crew. Give Mike a call at (216)364-6402 if you have equipment.

*For more information call*  
Ted Dryden (216) 343-4208



## NATIONAL OA CONFERENCE: Don't Miss It!

Act quickly! Only a few more spots are left in Sipp-O Lodge's contingent for the 1996 National Order of the Arrow Conference. The NOAC will be August 11-15, 1996 at Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana. The cost is \$200 for youth members and \$230 for adult members. A \$50 reservation must be received by Feb. 20 to guarantee a spot at NOAC. Reservations received after the 20th cannot be guaranteed. Reservations should be sent with the reservation form on page 7 to Sipp-O Lodge c/o Buckeye Council.

The National Order of the Arrow Conference is a national gathering of all the Order of the Arrow lodges in the nation. It takes place every other year. Thousands of Arrowmen from all corners of the nation and overseas converge on a college campus for five days of pure excitement. At NOAC, there is always something to do: a professionally performed show every night, national Indian dance competitions, literally hundreds of sessions on Native American crafts and artifacts, sports competitions, the Founder's Day Festival, numerous interesting and creative training sessions, international patch trading, Pre-Ordeal and Brotherhood ceremony competitions, and much, much more.

Attending a NOAC is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Arrowmen who have attended past NOAC's have placed them on the same level as Philmont and National Jamborees. Don't let the distance scare you! The lodge organizes transportation to and from the NOAC. However, you must send your reservation fee in **now!**

If you have any questions about NOAC, please contact Dan Lutz at (216)499-4759.



## BROTHERHOOD

Arrowmen who wish to seal their membership in the Order of the Arrow by joining the circle of Brotherhood will be able to do so at the C-5A Conclave on May 3, 4, 5, 1996. The cost will be \$10.00 for the sash.

To earn the Brotherhood, five challenges must be met. These challenges are described in detail on pages 51-53 of the Order of the Arrow Handbook.

## CALLING ALL INDIANS



Become one with the heart of the lodge! Have you ever wondered what it is like to wear a head dress or run around in a breechcloth. Well, my brothers, this is the group to join! Indian Activities is the center of the lodge. They perform all the OA ceremonies. If you have any interest in being a character (Kichkinet the guide, Nutiket the guard, Meteu the medicine man, or Allowat Sakima the Mighty chief) or help as a trail guide, please call Jeremy Ayers at (216)492-6258. We will be have try outs February 24 at John Knox Presbyterian. All Arrowman are eligible!

John Knox Presbyterian Church  
5155 Eastlake, NW off Frank Rd  
North Canton, OH

Lunch will be provided for \$2.00. You must call Jeremy by February 20th so that he may make plans for lunch!

## CONCLAVE UPDATE

It's time to send your reservation forms for the 1996 Section C5A Conclave! The conclave is May 3-4-5, 1996 at Camp Manatoc in Peninsula, Ohio. It is being hosted by our brothers to the North, Marnoc Lodge #151.

The cost of the conclave is \$25 per person if paid by April 8th. This fee includes food, lodging, conclave patch, program material, and lots of entertainment.

Here are just some of the events planned for the conclave: a rededication ceremony, a POW-WOW including all styles of dance competition, black powder shooting, tomahawk throwing, rifle, shotgun, and archery ranges, many interesting training sessions, patch trading, a late night beach party, a sand volleyball tournament with the Swedish bikini team (we wish!), Brotherhood team competition, Brotherhood ceremony, and lots of good clean fun.

To reserve your spot at the 1996 Conclave, you must return the enclosed registration form on page 5. Please note that the form and \$25 fee are to be sent directly to the Great Trail Council by April 8. Reservations after this date have a late fee of an additional \$5.00.

Mark your calendars and send your reservation form in today!

F.Y.I Sipp-O Lodge is scheduled to host the 1997 Conclave at Seven Ranges Scout Reservation.




## CHIEFLY SPEAKING

Greetings! Even in the dead of winter, the lodge is turning its attention to the warm days of summer. Sipp-O Lodge will again be organizing Hutch's Day this year. Hutch's Day is set for Saturday, June 8, 1996. Mark your calendars today!

Hutch's Day is our council-wide service day to prepare Seven Ranges Scout Reservation for summer camp. This is a massive undertaking, and to accomplish it, the lodge needs your support.

Besides plenty of helping hands, the lodge will also need numerous vehicles to transport equipment to the campsites.


If you have any resources that the lodge can use in this project, please contact Activities Vice-Chief Ted Dryden at (216) 343-4208. 

*In Brotherhood*

*Dan Lutz*

1996 Lodge Chief

## THE CHECK IS IN THE MAIL

For those of you who have recently paid your dues only to have money returned to you, the reason is simple. The policy is that now you can only pay dues for the current year, and not for years in advance. Any monies received for other than 1996 will be, or has been, refunded. Advanced payments received prior to this year will still be honored. 

## *The Stag*

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## HOW TO COOK A BUG

1. Collect bugs from under rocks, etcetera. Generally, the larger, the juicier.
2. Start roaring campfire
3. Grasp bug firmly between two long sticks, like chopsticks.
4. Hold 3" above flames for between 30 to 45 seconds. Turn and hold for 30 seconds. Enjoy
5. Resume outdoor activities. 

## WANT ADVENTURE THIS SUMMER?


There are still a few slots left on the council contingents for Philmont and Northern Tier. If you are interested in either of these contingents, contact Program Director Don Schneck at (216)580-4272 or 1-800-589-9812. 

## DUES

Dues are still being collected for 1996. The cost of dues is \$5.00 per person. This fee is used to pay national OA registration, printing and postage cost for the Stag, service projects, and camp promotions.

Dues for the current year are only accepted. Any advance payment will be refunded. Members who have not paid their dues will be dropped from the mailing list.

Please pay your dues now. Dues should be sent to Sipp-O Lodge c/o Buckeye Council.


You must also be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America in order to be a member of the Order of the Arrow. This is a national policy. Please make sure that your registration in Scouting is current! 

## Winter Banquet Features Local Indian History

Sipp-O Lodge held its annual Winter Banquet on January 6 at the Sachsenheim Hall in Canton. Over eighty Arrowmen came out to enjoy some great fellowship with their fellow Arrowmen.


The banquet kicked off with a delicious meal which left nobody hungry. Next, the guest speaker Larry Morris and his wife Nancy gave an outstanding presentation on the Paleo Indians and the ongoing dig at Noble's Pond in Jackson Township. Larry's presentation was accompanied by a slide show and

numerous artifacts and relics collected from the excavation site. After the presentation, the 1995 Vigil Honor recipients were recognized and given their Vigil Honor plaques. The banquet finished with the Ordeal ceremony team conducting the closing ceremony of the lodge. This was done in complete regalia, and was a very impressive close to the banquet.

The Winter Banquet was a smashing success in all aspects and a great time was had by all. Special thanks to Ted Dryden for planning the banquet. Those who attended left with plenty of memories. Those who missed out...well, there's always next year! 



## Meet the Chief

Here's your chance to meet with Dan Lutz, the Lodge Chief, and his adviser, Jim Cassler, to discuss anything concerning the lodge. It is your chance to become a part of the lodge committee of your choice. They will be attending District Roundtable meeting during the months of February and March as listed below. Ask your Scoutmaster for a ride to the Roundtable. Hope to see you there. 

Sandy Beaver

Thursday, February 8th, 7:30 P.M.  
Camp McKinley

Wapakonachee

Tuesday February 13th 7:30 P.M.  
Abiding Savior Lutheran Church

Westark

Wednesday February 14th 7:00 P.M.  
Massillon Senior Citizens Center

Seneca

Thursday February 14th 8:00 P.M.  
Faith United Methodist Church, North Canton

Killbuck

Thursday, March 7th

Netawotwes

Thursday, March 14th



*REGISTRATION FORM*

*1996 Order of the Arrow - Section 5A Conclave*

Registration deadline: MONDAY, April 8, 1996

Instructions: Please enter one character per "\_" and PRINT ALL INFORMATION.

LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ MIDDLE INITIAL: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

STATUS: \_\_\_\_ (Y - Youth; A - Adult) SEX: \_\_\_\_ (M - Male; F - Female)

PHYSICAL HANDICAP: \_\_\_\_ (Y - Yes; N - No) Do you need a place to sleep? \_\_\_\_ (Y or N)

COUNCIL: \_\_\_\_\_

LODGE: \_\_\_\_\_

Cost: Before April 9: \$25.00; AFTER APRIL 8: \$30.00

To receive the regular price, this form and payment must be received at **Great Trail Council's Service Center** before **TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 1996**.

All registration forms and/or payments received after **MONDAY, APRIL 8, 1996** will result in a late fee of \$5.00 being charged.

Checks should be made payable to: *GREAT TRAIL COUNCIL, B.S.A.* and mailed to the address below:

GREAT TRAIL COUNCIL, B.S.A.  
ATTN: SECTION 5A CONCLAVE REGISTRATION  
P. O. BOX 68  
AKRON, OH 44309-0068

## SIPP-O WELCOMES LODGE ADVISER

It is with great pride that I am able to write to you as Sipp-O Lodge Adviser. With this recent appointment comes the promise of service to Sipp-O Lodge and its camps, fellowship amongst its members, and the challenge of the job at hand. In my twenty six years as an Arrowman, I have been associated with many great people and have formed many fond memories through the Order. I hope to help unify our membership so that more scouts can have the same kind of memorable experiences. The youth leaders of our lodge have an enthusiasm that will be an inspiration to all who join. Don't be a stranger—come and be a part of Sipp-O Lodge. It is a great program that can only get better with your involvement!

I am looking forward to rekindling old friendships as well as starting new ones. Help us make our lodge—Sipp-O Lodge—the best!

*In Brotherhood,*

*Jim Cassler*

Lodge Adviser

## WANT TO GO TO PHILMONT . . . FOR ONLY \$100?

This summer there will be a National Order of the Arrow Conservation project at Philmont Scout Reservation. For only \$100, you can go on this fourteen day back-country trek. Participants will spend half the trek building a new trail. The rest of the trek is spent hiking Philmont with the rest of the trail crew.

All tents, cooking gear, and tools will be provided by Philmont. These Scouts will strengthen their leadership skills, learn about advance wilderness and low impact camping, wilderness safety, and special OA instruction.

You must be between the ages of 16 and 21 to participate in this event.

If you would like an application for this event, please call Lodge Chief Dan Lutz at (216) 499-4759.

## SIPP-O RESERVATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Troop # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Spring Fellowship — \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Brotherhood Induction — \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NOAC Reservation — \_\_\_\_\_ x \$50.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

1996 Dues — \_\_\_\_\_ x \$5.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Send to:  
Sipp-O Lodge  
c/o Buckeye Council, BSA  
2301 13th Street N.W.,  
Canton Ohio, 44708

**Make Check Payable to:  
Buckeye Council, BSA**

494-2408

# CALENDAR of EVENTS

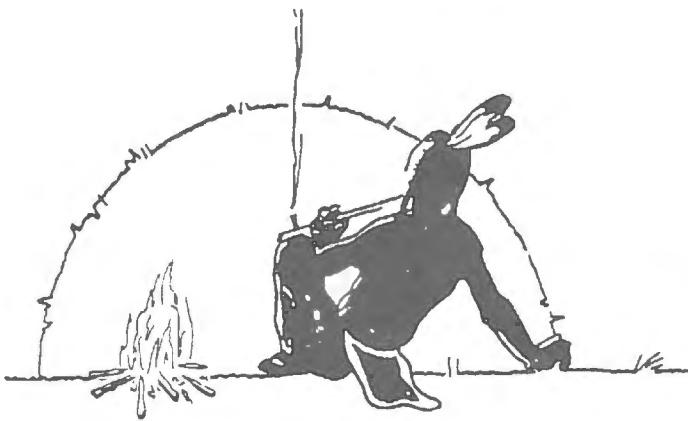
- January 1 - May 15 ..... Unit Elections
- February 24 ..... I.A. Try-outs/ Meeting
- March 22-24 ..... Spring Fellowship
- May 3-5..... Section C5A Conclave
- June 7-9 ..... Spring Ordeal
- June 8 ..... Hutch's Day
- June 16 - Aug. 10 ..... Summer Camp
- August 11-15 ..... NOAC
- August 23-25 ..... Fall Ordeal
- September 21,22 ..... Vigil Weekend
- October 4-6 ..... Fall Fellowship
- November 15-17 ..... Officer Training

# 1995-96 LODGE OFFICERS

- Lodge Chief..... Dan Lutz  
216-499-4759
- Administrative Vice Chief ..... Ray Palmer  
216-364-8988
- Activities Vice Chief ..... Ted Dryden  
216-343-4208
- Vice Chief of Chapters..... Brian Seeton  
216-454-1024
- District Vice Chief ..... Ben Senff  
216-262-8622
- Membership Secretary ..... Joe Bomba  
216-699-9075
- Recording Secretary ..... Adam Woodruff  
216-875-9658
- Treasurer ..... Joe Bomba  
216-699-9075

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